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H. R. 3461

To establish a public awareness campaign regarding Internet safety.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 4, 2007

Ms. BEAN (for herself, Mr. HILL, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. DONNELLY, Mr. ELLSWORTH, Mr. HOLT, Mr. KIND, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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safety.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Safeguarding Amer-
5 ica’s Families by Enhancing and Reorganizing New and
6 Efficient Technologies Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. INTERNET SAFETY.**

2 For purposes of this Act, the issue of Internet safety
3 includes issues regarding use of the Internet in a manner
4 that promotes safe online activity, including safe trans-
5 actions involved in online commerce, and protects against
6 threats to financial information and privacy, threats from
7 cyber-crime, and threats to juveniles, including cyber-
8 predators and material that is inappropriate for minors.

9 **SEC. 3. PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.**

10 The Federal Trade Commission shall carry out a na-
11 tionwide program to increase public awareness and pro-
12 vide education regarding Internet safety, for families,
13 businesses, organizations, and other users, that utilizes ex-
14 isting resources and efforts of the Federal Government,
15 State and local governments, nonprofit organizations, pri-
16 vate technology and financial companies, Internet service
17 providers, World Wide Web-based resources, and other ap-
18 propriate entities, that includes—

19 (1) identifying, promoting, and encouraging
20 best practices for Internet safety;

21 (2) establishing and carrying out a national
22 outreach and education campaign regarding Internet
23 safety utilizing various media and Internet-based re-
24 sources;

1 (3) facilitating access to, and the exchange of,
2 information regarding Internet safety to promote up-
3 to-date knowledge regarding current issues; and

4 (4) facilitating access to Internet safety edu-
5 cation and public awareness efforts the Commission
6 considers appropriate to States, units of local gov-
7 ernment, schools, police departments, nonprofit or-
8 ganizations, and such other entities.

9 **SEC. 4. ANNUAL REPORTS.**

10 The Commission shall submit a report to Congress
11 not later than March 31 of each year that describes the
12 activities carried out under section 3 by the Commission
13 during the preceding calendar year.

14 **SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.**

15 For purposes of this Act, the following definitions
16 shall apply:

17 (1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
18 means the Federal Trade Commission.

19 (2) INTERNET.—The term “Internet” means
20 collectively the myriad of computer and tele-
21 communications facilities, including equipment and
22 operating software, which comprise the inter-
23 connected world-wide network of networks that em-
24 ploy the Transmission Control Protocol/Internet
25 Protocol, or any predecessor or successor protocols

1 to such protocol, to communicate information of all
2 kinds by wire or radio.

3 **SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

4 For carrying out the public awareness campaign
5 under section 3, there is authorized to be appropriated to
6 the Commission \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2008, which
7 shall remain available until until September 30, 2009.